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ALMA

The appointment of Rev. James E. Malone, S.J., by Father General as Rector of Alma College was formally announced September 10. A week later, Rector's Day was celebrated with a gaudiosa and a holiday.

On September 8 twenty-one theologians came from Oregon, four of them priests, the rest scholastics; also nine 1st year men from the various colleges of California.

Classes at the new theologate opened with Schola Brevis September 10. The faculty: Fr. William Donnelly, dean, is professor of Moral; Fr. Francis Sheerin, De Gratia; Fr. Francis Peirce, Scripture; Fr. Walter Semeria, De Verbo; Fr. Gousie, De Revelatione; Fr. James Donovan, De Ecclesia; Fr. Rector, Ecclesiastical History; Fr. Leo Simpson, Liturgy. The ceremony of Profession of Faith was held in the domestic chapel, September 16.

A thin streamer of blue smoke among the trees in the vicinity of Villa Joseph caused a slight fire scare September 19. A near-by forest ranger's station was informed and later reported that a neighbor's unguarded bonfire had fired a tree and some brush. No further damage was done. Since then, however, two scholastics are appointed each week to watch the property while the community is at meals.

Bro. Prendiville suffered a slight accident when his arm was caught in Dr. Tevis efficient dumb-waiter. The elevator runs by hydraulic pressure and the accident occured so quickly that Bros. Gosselin and Aldana, working near at hand, were unable to prevent a ruptured blood vessel.

Fr. Gousie recently suffered a slight illness and spent several days in O'Connor Sanitarium for observation. The attack was short-lived, however, and he returned to classes after several days. In the future Dr. Gerlach will make regular Thursday visits to Alma College.

The first blood of the scholastic year was drawn Monday, September 17, when the present third-year theologians were examined "ad audiendas confessiones".

Two Spanish scholastics who have been teaching at Venezuela for the past two years are among the first year theologians. Mr. Salcedo, who studied for the secular priesthood, has a Ph.D. in philosphy. Mr. Martinez-Elen, has achieved quite remarkable progress in his study of English during the past two months.

BROPHY

Under the personal direction of Father O'Keeffe the grounds and buildings were renovated this summer. He also arranged the new irrigation system.

Besides writing hundreds of letters to schools, convents, hospitals, and doctors, Father Rector personally wrote letters to influential people in the East and West. As a result we have sixteen boarders, an increase of five over last year. He received two gifts from friends that amounted to $1250.00.

Messrs. Fader and Cahill are coaching the Lightweight Teams.

Father Madigan goes daily to the

"Transient Camp" to hear confessions and to comfort the unemployed. The camp officials welcome him heartily for his influence has lessened the spirit of discontent among the 1200 men and boys in the camp. One dormitory is filled with boys from ten to fifteen years of age—all wanderers from home.

Father Cosgrave is organizing his school and parish sodalities. He has a very select but active group of sodalists. They have their Eucharistic, Catholic Action, Literature, and Recreation Committees.

Father Burns is starting a "Study Club" in the parish. His work for Catholic Social Service in Arizona is being widely recognized.

Father Edward Whelan gave the students' retreat from September 25th to 28th. Football practice was stopped during that time.

The Students are to publish "The Brophyite", a school paper, in honor of the late Mrs. Ellen Brophy, who was anxious to have a school paper started.

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY

On the afternoon of September 10th, the solemn dedication of the Abram J. Ryan Memorial Grove took place. A year ago Colonel Brooks, a veteran of the Confederate Army, presented the university with twenty maple trees transplanted from the battlefield of Franklin, Tennessee. The General T. J. Churchill Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, under the guidance of Mrs. Leigh, undertook to place a permanent marker in the grove. Due to the courtesy of the Bureau of Power and Light, a large granite rock, weighing several tons, was brought from Boulder Dam and put in the grove.

A division of the Culver City American Legion, the members of the Loyola Mothers' Guild, the University Band, members of the Faculty, and students formed the crowd for the dedication. Mrs. Leigh made a speech explaining how the chapter to which she belonged had come to erect the marker. Reverend Father Rector then read a short account of the lives of Father Ryan and General Clebourne written by Colonel Brooks. Then followed a musical selection by Miss Bach, who sang "Trees". The plaque was then unveiled by Colonel Brooks and General Simmons, both of whom were dressed in the grey uniform of the Confederate Army. Colonel Brooks spoke a few words in praise of Father Ryan and General Clebourne, whom he had known personally. Father Rector made a speech of acceptance and acknowledged the debt of gratitude the University owed to these benefactors. The dedication ceremonies were completed by General Simmons.

The inscription on the plaque is as follows:

1861 1865

"LEST WE FORGET"
—TREES—
TRANSPLANTED FROM THE
BATTLE FIELD OF
FRANKLIN, TENNESSEE
DEDICATED TO THE
MEMORY OF
FATHER ABRAM J. RYAN
AND
GEN. PATRICK CLEBOURNE
BY
JOHN C. BROOKS
CAMP 770
PACIFIC DIVISION
UNITED CONFEDERATE
VETERANS

MARKER PLACED BY THE
GEN. T. J. CHURCHILL
CHAPTER 2030
CALIFORNIA DIVISION
UNITED DAUGHTERS
OF THE
CONFEDERACY
1934

During the week preceding the opening of school Loyola was host to four students from the Catholic University of Tokyo. They spent four days in Los Angeles, then left for San Francisco, whence they sailed for Japan.

Latest figures for the registration place the total somewhat below that of last year. The Senior and Junior classes, however, are the largest in the history of the university. Both the lower division classes are below the total for last year.

The first assembly of the school year was held on Monday, September 17. Father Rudolph, Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, intro-

duced the members of the Faculty to the student body. Addresses were made by Father Rector, Bart McLaughlin, student president, Thomas J. Lieb, Director of Athletics, and Father Rice, Vice-President of the University. Mr. Forrest Major, Director of the Loyola Band, outlined the musical program for the year.

Sixty two students are receiving FERA allotments to help pay their tuition. Thirty-one of these are freshman who would not be able to attend school except for this aid from the government.

Due to the efforts of Richard A. Walsh, an alumnus, the Culver City Evening Star-News ran a number of feature and sports articles about Loyola in their issue of Saturday, September 15. At least half of the front page and two-thirds of the sport page featured pictures and articles dealing with Loyola.

SAN FRANCISCO

The church was the scene of the departure ceremonies of our China Missionaries on August 12th. Father Stanislaus Fitzgerald was celebrant; Father James King, deacon; Mr. Deward, subdeacon. Mr. Magner preached.

Two new altars have been added to the church; one dedicated to St. Robert Bellarmine, the gift of Martin O'Brien in memory of his father; the other to St. Peter Canisius, the gift of the Berti family in memory of their parents. Attention of the congregation has been called to the approaching twenty-fifth anniversary of St. Ignatius Church. The fathers desire to see the edifice frescoed and completed on that occasion. A monthly collection and private donations have been recommended. Mr. Stretch, sanctuary boy's moderator, has opened a room in the basement of the church for the recreation of tthe altar boys.

The college opened with an enrollment of nearly 700 day students, 130 night law students, and 170 other night school students. Father A. Whelan is Dean of the Day and Night School (non-law courses), Father Feely is Dean of all the law courses, day and night. New law teachers are Dean Cassidy formerly of Georgetown; and Mr. Hawkins, a graduate of Stanford. Fathers P. Dunne and Feely are conducting a class in Religious Inquiry.

St. Ignatious High has 670 students, of whom 200 are freshmen.

Father Klein, Provincial of Upper Germany, and Fathers Bitters, procurator for the Missions, on their way to Japan, were guests of St. Ignatius.

SANTA BARBARA

Our annual campaign for taxes, $3500, is under way. At a parish rally preceding it, much enthusiasm was displayed.

The High School boys have the use of a large play ground belonging to Mr. Knapp of Montecito. At the request of Father Maginnis, the City Street Department leveled the land. P. H. McCarthy, Jr. formerly of San Francisco, is in charge of the public speaking class. The attendance in the parish schools is 445, of whom 65 are girls in the High School, and 15 are boys in first year high.

Father Bassett is doing a full day's work, but at present is unable to take his turn in preaching.

Ten new wells, all of them averaging over 1000 barrels per day, have been brought in on the Mesa Oil field last month.

UNIVERSITY OF SANTA CLARA

A meeting on the problems of Communism was held early in the month. Representatives from various colleges were present.

Fr. Vaughan gave the student body their annual retreat.

A good will dinner for the continuance of relations with St. Mary's College was held at the University. Faculty, athletic and alumni representatives from both institutions were present. The two teams will resume sport relations on November 18.

Fr. Rector gave the retreat to the upper division students at Loyola High School, Los Angeles.

Fr. Harry Walsh, chaplain of the American Legion of Santa Clara, addressed the unit of Los Gatos Legion on Constitution Day.

Fr. Perron was changed to the Novitiate to be spiritual Father for the Juniors.

BELLARMINE, SAN JOSE

Enrollment on opening day was 206, but crept up to 233 by September 20, an increase of 19 over last year, our best year until then. While we lost 6 boarders through graduation, the number this year is 28, or an increase of 4 over last year's total.

A change was made in the religion classes. Instead of two 45 minute periods a week, religion is taught daily for 20 minutes.

On September 11 the announcement was made that Father McCann had been appointed by Very Rev. Father General to the office of general prefect of studies of high schools in the Province.

The future success of the students' Sodality has become greatly assured due to the added assistance of four of Ours who have volunteered their services. Father Franchi is in charge of the Missions Committee and Mr. Hesser of Our Lady's, Mr. Moreno of the Eucharist Committee and Mr. Brusher of Literature Committee. Fr. Fabris retains the Parish Help Committee, which is more conveniently conducted by the sodality director, though other volunteers were not wanting.

CHINA

A new parish has been given to the Californians in Shanghai. Father Lennon has been appointed Superior of Sacred Heart Church and Residence. Brother Finnigan has gone to the new residence; Father Farmer is there, and Father Francis Borgia Tsang, S.J. is assigned to help with the Chinese work.

Messrs. O'Brien, O'Farrell and O'Hara are at Gonzaga; the two latter are taking their second year of Chinese, and are doing some teaching in the school. There are 60 new Chinese students, and 12 foreigners.

LOS ALTOS

The Monterey-Fresno Clergy made two retreats, one September 17-21, the other September 22-26.

LOYOLA HIGH

Father Lyons gave the retreat to the upper division, and Father Rector to the lower. Then Father Rector went for the retreat at Phoenix.

The Mothers of the Henry Welch Guild put on a ham dinner for the benefit of the school.

Father Wm. Donnelly's mother has been making cassocks all summer for Ours at Loyola High.

Many professional football teams practice nearly every night in our stadium.

Donkey baseball was played every evening for two weeks on our field for the benefit of the school. Gate receipts became larger when Father Fox got some advertising from KNX and the "Herald Express." Teams from the several larger studios, the K. of C., Elks, and Hollywood American Legion played. Even the donkeys sometimes failed to tag second.

Mr. O'Mara is directing the sodalities in the absence of Father Henry.

LOS GATOS

On Saturday, Sept. 8th, Brs. Rock, Lagan, Gordon and Evart pronounced the first simple vows of the Scholastics.

Br. Green, a scholastic novice, and Br. Joualeit, a coadjutor, received cassocks Sept. 20th.

Since the last report of Br. Gomez' partial blindness, there has been such improvement that brother has been able to resume most of his former duties.

Two of the seven new missal stands, artistically carved out of wood by Brother Jablonski, are now in use on the main altar of the Domestic Chapel and on the Saint Stanislaus altar. Five were sent to Alma College.

DEATHS IN THE ASSISTANCY

Brother Augustine Biazzo, New York City.
Father Peter Masterson, Lancaster, Pa.
Father Emmanuel Kouba, New York City
Father Albert Fox, Cleveland, Ohio
Father John Farley, New York City

DEATHS OF RELATIVES

The mother of Father Gilbert
Dr. Felton Taylor, Father Taylor's nephew.